



Birdsong

Julie Flett



When a young girl moves to her new home far away from the sea, she feels lonely and out of place. But soon she meets an elderly woman next door, who shares her love of nature and art.

As the seasons change, can the girl navigate the failing health of her new friend?

Award-winning Cree-Métis author Julie Flett's textured images of birds, flowers, art, and landscapes bring vibrancy and warmth to this powerful story, which highlights the joys of intergenerational friendship and shared passions.







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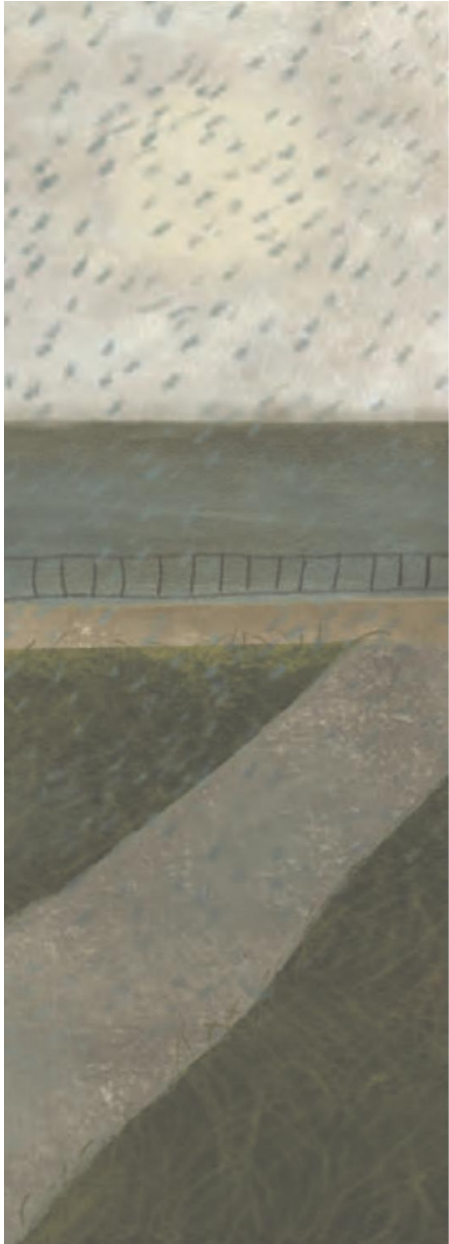
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It's a mostly rainy morning in the past too

the last of our belongings and then too

from home in the city by the sea

I'm going to miss my friends and family

and people and places I'm going to miss

my business is broken and the new market

"Remember, time is short" I whisper





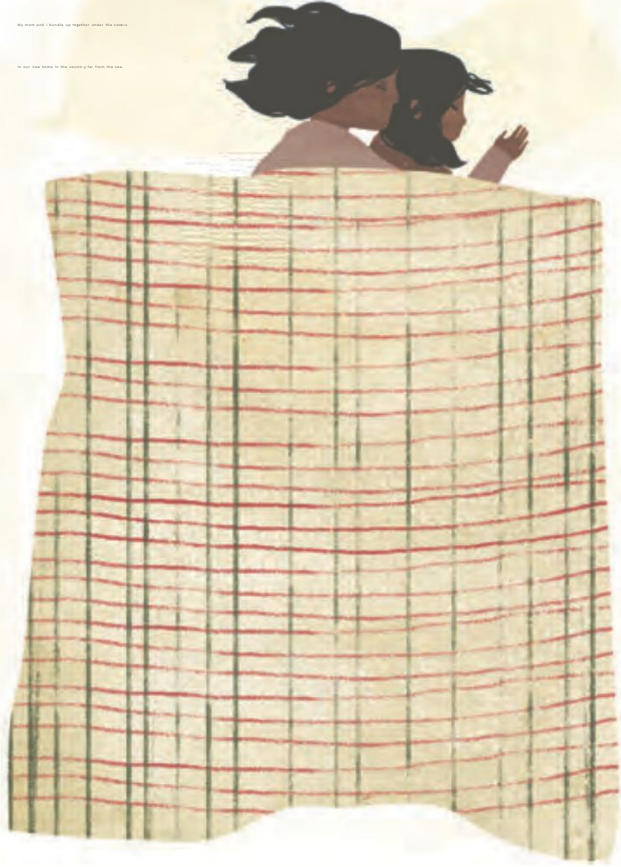






My mom and I looked up together under the stars.

It was just like in the picture of the book she gave.







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"What are you doing, Kaithe?"

"I'm just a little bit of a bird."

"I'm just a little bit of a bird."

"I'm just a little bit of a bird."



























When the sun is up and the moon is down

and the stars are shining

and the moon is shining

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When we're done, Agnew says it's like a poem for her heart.

Then I sit with Agnes and talk about making things.

musky things and things with string and sang

and paper and words. And then we sit quietly together.

an dignest heart, until it is time to say goodbye.

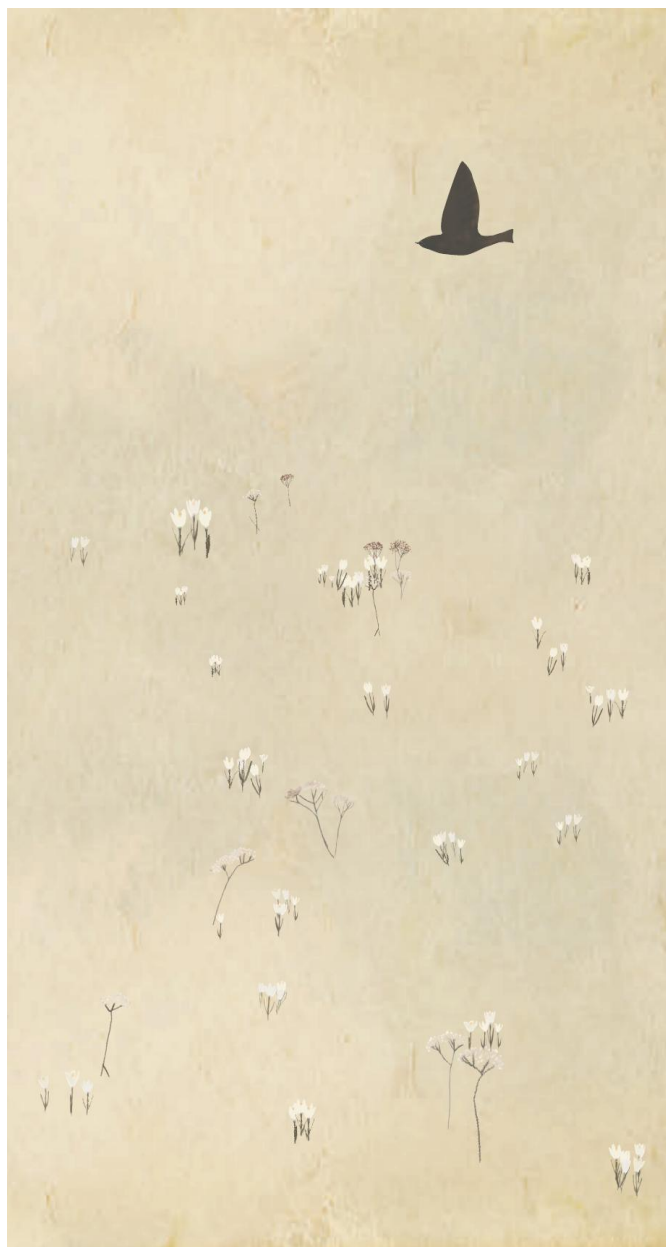












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